

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
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REMARKS

This is in response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2006. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

Acknowledgment of Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-17 are pending. Applicant acknowledges, with appreciation, that Claims 2, 3, 6, 13-16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include the subject matter of their respective base claims and any intervening claims upon which they depend.

Summary of Rejections

Claims 1, 4, 5, 7-12 and 17 are rejected as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 3,351,281 to Keil.

Summary of Claim Amendments

Applicant has amended Claim 1 by including in it the subject matter of allowable Claim 2. Similarly, applicant has amended independent Claim 9 by incorporating in it the subject matter of allowable claim of 13. These amendments are consistent with the Examiner's remarks as to allowable subject matter and are believed to place the application in condition for allowance.

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Applicant, therefore, respectfully requests that the
application be passed to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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